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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Thomas L. Ritzdorf et al.  
 Application No. : 09/386,734 Confirmation No.: 1735  
 Filed : August 31, 1999  
 For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR LOW TEMPERATURE  
 ANNEALING OF METALLIZATION MICRO-STRUCTURES IN  
 THE PRODUCTION OF A MICROELECTRONIC DEVICE

Examiner : G. Wyszomierski  
 Art Unit : 1742  
 Docket No. : 291958170US  
 Date : June 6, 2002

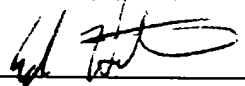
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicant herewith petition the Commissioner of Patents under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time for filing the response to the Examiner's Action dated December 20, 2001, from March 20, 2001, to June 20, 2001. A check in the amount of \$920 is enclosed. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 50-0665. This petition is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,  
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